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JANUARY 27, 1853.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. PHELPS, from the Committee of Ways and Means, reported the following bill:

A BILL

Making appropriations for the transportation of the United States mail by ocean steamers and otherwise, during the fiscal year ending the thirtieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives*
2 *of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*
3 the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated,
4 to be paid out of any money in the treasury not otherwise ap-
5 propriated, for the year ending the thirtieth of June, one
6 thousand eight hundred and fifty-four:

7 For transportation of the mails from New York to Liver-
8 pool and back, eight hundred and fifty-eight thousand dollars.

9 For transportation of the mails from New York to New
10 Orleans, Charleston, Savannah, Havana, and Chagres, and back,
11 two hundred and ninety thousand dollars.

12 For transportation of the mails from Panama to Cali-
13 fornia and Oregon and back, three hundred and forty-eight
14 thousand two hundred and fifty dollars.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the following
2 sums be, and the same are hereby, appropriated for the service
3 of the Post Office Department for the year ending the thir-
4 tieth of June, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-four, out
5 of any moneys in the treasury arising from the revenues of
6 said department, in conformity to the act of the second of
7 July, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-six :

8 For transportation of the mails, in two steamships, from
9 New York, by Southampton, to Bremen and back, at one hun-
10 dred thousand dollars for each ship; and in two steamships
11 from New York, by Cowes, to Havre and back, at seventy-
12 five thousand dollars for each ship, under the contract with the
13 Ocean Steam Navigation Company of New York, three hun-
14 dred and fifty thousand dollars.

15 For transportation of the mails between Charleston and
16 Havana, under the contract with M. C. Mordecai, fifty thou-
17 sand dollars.

18 For transportation of the mails across the isthmus of
19 Panama, one hundred and twenty thousand dollars.